

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in this application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Office Action requests any references known to qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102 or 103. In response, any and all pertinent prior art so far known to Applicants has been submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 7, 2002.

The Office Action included a partially initialed Form PTO-1449, only the first and last references listed having been initialed by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to initial next to each reference listed to indicate that each reference has been considered, and to return the fully initialed Form PTO-1449 to the Applicants' undersigned representative, at the address set forth below.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over JP 03-038687 to Kazunori, or the "admitted prior art," each taken separately, in view of EP 0793166 to Morimoto et al. (hereinafter "Morimoto") or JP 10-021068 to Ichiro, each taken separately. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants respectfully submit that the embodiments described on pages 5 and 6 of the specification are not "admitted prior art." The specification on pages 5 and 6 clearly identifies the projectors shown in Figures 1 and 2 as "embodiments of the present invention." The specification describes the projector 10, shown in Figure 1, as including two computers, an ASP terminal module 20 "mainly having the similar functions to those of a general computer" and a projector module 30 "mainly having the similar functions to those of a conventional projector." However, Applicants respectfully submit that such description is not an admission that the projector 10 is prior art. Therefore, this basis of rejection is improper, and should be withdrawn.

The Office Action admits that "Kazunori does not discuss a control program in memory card 7 to be used in place of a control program within the projector module." The Office Action relies upon Morimoto or Ichiro to supply the subject matter missing from Kazunori.

However, Applicants submit that neither Morimoto nor Ichiro discloses, teaches or suggests "a basic system ... which activates a second control system stored in the mobile memory, in place of the first control system," as recited in claim 1, and similarly recited in claims 5 and 9.

Morimoto reads the program in the CD ROM and transfers and stores the program information in the program memory. The program stored in the program memory is then launched, i.e., activated. See, for example, column 10, lines 19-44 and Figure 8 of Morimoto.

Similarly, in the case of Ichiro, microcomputer 6 reads a new control program stored in memory card 9 and writes the control program into EEPROM 8 when memory card 9 is inserted into the memory card slot 3. When the power switch is turned on, microcomputer 6 copies, in accordance with the boot program of the EEPROM 8, the new control program stored in EEPROM 8 into RAM 7. The new control program stored in RAM 7 is then launched, i.e., activated.

Thus, both Morimoto and Ichiro transfer the second control system to internal memory, and activate/launch the second control system from the internal memory rather than "activating a second control system stored in the mobile memory, in place of the first control system," as recited in claims 1, 5 and 9 (emphasis added).

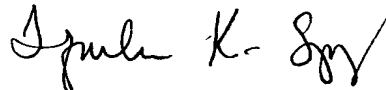
Therefore, neither Kazunori, the alleged prior art, Morimoto, nor Ichiro discloses or suggests each and every feature of independent claims 1, 5 and 9. Claims 2-4 and 12 depend from claim 1, claims 6-8 and 13 depend from claim 5 and claims 10 and 11 depend from claim 9. Accordingly, claims 2-4, 6-8 and 10-13 are patentable at least for the reasons set

claim 9. Accordingly, claims 2-4, 6-8 and 10-13 are patentable at least for the reasons set forth above with respect to claims 1, 5 and 9, as well as for the additional features they recite. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-13 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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